## IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

- 1. (Currently Amended) A mirror base comprising:
- a mount piece to be mounted on a car;
- a support piece projecting from the mount piece and adapted to support a mirror body, the mount piece and the support piece being integrally made of a resin; and

a reinforcing core member separately formed from the mount piece and the support piece, the reinforcing core member being buried inside across the mount piece and the support piece, the reinforcing core member comprising a continuous flange formed [[in a]] along only an outermost marginal region edge of the reinforcing core member.

- 2. (Original) The mirror base according to Claim 1, wherein the core member is provided with a rib for enhancing flexural rigidity of the support piece relative to the mount piece.
- 3. (Original) The mirror base according to Claim 1, wherein the core member is provided with a mounting portion bordering a mounting surface of the mount piece to be mounted on the car.
- 4. (Original) The mirror base according to Claim 2, wherein the core member is provided with a mounting portion bordering a mounting surface of the mount piece to be mounted on the car.
- 5. (Original) The mirror base according to Claim 3, wherein said mounting portion is a mounting nut portion.
- 6. (Original) The mirror base according to Claim 3, wherein said mounting portion is a mounting bolt portion.
- 7. (Original) The mirror base according to Claim 4, wherein said mounting portion is a mounting nut portion.

- 8. (Original) The mirror base according to Claim 4, wherein said mounting portion is a mounting bolt portion.
  - 9-12. (Canceled)
- 13. (Currently Amended) The mirror base according to Claim [[9]] 1, wherein said core member is comprised of a pressed product.
- 14. (Currently Amended) The mirror base according to Claim [[10]] 2, wherein said core member is comprised of a pressed product.
- 15. (Currently Amended) The mirror base according to Claim [[11]] 3, wherein said core member is comprised of a pressed product.
- 16. (Currently Amended) The mirror base according to Claim [[1]] 4, wherein said core member is comprised of a pressed product.
- 17. (New) The mirror base according to Claim 1, wherein the reinforcing core member comprises a mount-piece core and a support-piece core being integrally formed together, the mount-piece core and the support-piece core each being formed in a substantially flat plate shape, the mount-piece core and the support-piece core being buried inside across the mount piece and the support piece, respectively.
- 18. (New) The mirror base according to Claim 1, wherein the continuous flange is formed at a substantially right angle with respect to a surface of the reinforcing core member.
  - 19. (New) A mirror assembly comprising:
  - a mirror base comprising:
    - a mount piece to be mounted on a car;
    - a support piece projecting from the mount piece, the mount piece and the support piece being integrally made of a resin; and
    - a reinforcing core member separately formed from the mount piece and the support piece, the reinforcing core member being buried inside across the

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mount piece and the support piece, and the reinforcing core member comprising a continuous flange formed in a marginal region of the reinforcing core member; and

a mirror body being fixed to the mirror base only at the support piece which includes the reinforcing core member.